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THIRD REQUEST FOR STATUS

Honorable Commissioner for Patents U.S. Patent and Trademark Office 2011 South Clark Place Crystal Plaza Two, Lobby, Room 1803 Arlington, Virginia 22202

Sir:

As more than 38 months have passed since this application was filed or entered into the United States National Stage and no office action on the merits has yet been received, the applicant hereby respectfully makes inquiry as to the status of the aboveidentified application.

As 37 CFR 1.2 states that the action of the PTO "will be based exclusively on the written record", applicant needs and therefore requests a written reply.

Respectfully submitted,

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